

COLORADO COMMISSION ON AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE

COMMITTEE/MEETING NAME: Research Committee
DATE: June 18, 2015 **TIME:** 9:00a.m. to 12:00 pm

CHAIRPERSON: I Gorman
LOCATION: CHI

ATTENDANCE: Elisabeth Arenales, Ira Gorman, Linda Gorman, Dorothy Perry, Jay Want, Lorez Meinhold, Johanna Gibbs, Michelle Lueck, Tamara Keeney, Amy Downs
Members of the Public: Ryan Biehle, Jake Wager, Deb Foote

Minutes Recorded By: The Keystone Policy Center (Keystone)

Ground Rules: Start on time, Stay on Task, Maintain Respectful Dialogue. Everyone gets a chance to speak before repeats.

Agenda Items	Discussion	Follow-up/Actions
Review minutes of 6/8/15	The committee reviewed the meeting minutes from the June 8, 2015 committee meeting and the minutes were approved.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><u>Decision:</u> The 6/8/15 meeting minutes were approved.
Topic discussion: CHI 1 pager	<p>The committee discussed the process for committee member research requests from CHI. Tamara will serve as the lead researcher and CHI expects to send up to 30 hours a month assisting committee members with topic research in preparation for their topic presentations.</p> <p>CHI will access and analyze data as needed related to topic requests. Research can be more effective and efficient when the key question is identified and the problem statement developed.</p> <p>Dr. Jay Want shared with the group his tips sheet based on his experience preparing the presentation for the transparency discussion. He emphasized that the presentation template is invaluable.</p> <p>Tamara will monitor the timeline for research and presentations and Lorez will follow up as needed to ensure work will be completed within the timeframe needed.</p> <p>Committee members emphasized the importance of creating a meaningful process to engage interested parties in the conversation of the committee that becomes standard procedure for the committee.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><u>Action:</u> Tamara from will be the point person to ensure committee members are meeting deadlines.

Topic: Transparency	CHI reviewed Colorado state activity to date on transparency. Acknowledged there was a benefit of transparency but did not necessarily result in cost savings. Public reporting has not had a detectable impact on costs. It was noted that information is hard to access and use in a meaningful way. The committee asked if there are any studies related to effectiveness of these transparency efforts. The committee discussed efforts in Texas which mandates that claims be released to purchasers/ employers in a timely manner so that they can purchase more effectively. Issues of confidentiality and privacy were raised. Committee discussed the issues related to out of network billing when in network facilities. Elisabeth offered to share information related to NY. Ryan from CCHI suggested following up with the DOI about reports on out of network costs.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Follow up:</u> CHI to identify if there is data or information from Texas to understand the impact. Additionally why the state pursued legislation versus allowing it to be done voluntarily. What were the costs to implement? How did they address privacy concerns? • <u>Follow up:</u> Keystone will follow up with the DOI about information related to out of network costs.
Spending Analysis – update on next analysis and questions generated	Committee members discussed that it would be helpful to see whenever possible to see the data broken out by private vs. public. The committee would also like to see the data broken out by geography, age, and income.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Follow up:</u> CHI to prepare a 5 slide presentation to present to the full commission as part of Ira’s report on the committees activities and progress.
Advisory committee discussion	The committee discussed the use of ad hoc advisory committees as a way to gather additional input into the work that they are undertaking and to further involve interested parties in the work of the committee.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Follow up:</u> Keystone will prepare a proposal on potential uses for ad hoc committees by the research committee for the committee to react to at the next committee meeting.
Next Agenda: Spending Analysis by payer, Workforce, Ad Hoc Committees		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Follow up:</u> Keystone will prepare the agenda for the next committee.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:05 pm.